

# THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC.

WORLD'S 1904 FAIR

NINETY-FIFTH YEAR.

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PRICE In St. Louis One Cent. In the West, Outside St. Louis, Two Cents.

## COAL STEADILY ADVANCING; LITTLE ANTHRACITE FOR SALE.

### ANTHRACITE COAL FAMINE IS ASSURED

Retail Price Is Now \$9 a Ton and Dealers Say It Will Be \$10 in a Fortnight.

POOR WILL SUFFER TERRIBLY.

Soft Coal Already Has Risen From \$3 to \$4.50 a Ton—Even if Strike Were to End at Once, Supply Would Be Short All Winter.

### COAL STRIKE'S EFFECT IS FELT IN ST. LOUIS

Nearly All Dealers Have Announced That They Have No Anthracite.

PRICE WILL GO MUCH HIGHER.

This Is the Season When Buying for Domestic Use Is Done, but Consumers Are Waiting Until Fall.

## CAUSTIC ARRAIGNMENT OF HOUSE COMBINE

The Rev. Sam P. Jones, Georgia Evangelist, Compares Delegates to a Pack of Hyenas.

THROW OUT ROTTEN POTATOES.

Preacher Says St. Louis Is Too Good a Town to Be Spoiled by Unworthy Officials.

### THE REV. SAM P. JONES' OPINION OF HOUSE COMBINE.

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When the people wake up it will be like a cyclone.

A few rotten potatoes will spoil a barrel full.

They (the combine) are as sensitive to the touch of exposure as a mule with a sore back is sensitive to the touch of a whip.

You can do more with some men by shaking 'em over a coffin than you can by reading them moral essays.

The Reverend Sam P. Jones, Georgia evangelist, noted for his vigor and his caustic sayings in the pulpit, was in St. Louis long enough yesterday to express his opinion of the combine in the House of Delegates.

He said that with such an institution in existence the only difference between this city and hell is that the people here still have a river.

"I have been reading The Republic enough to know the situation," said Mr. Jones, "and I only hope the light will be turned on those fellows so strong that the people's wrath will be aroused and the combine put on the run like a pack of rotten potatoes. Touch 'em up—that is the only way. Show what they are, and when the



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Mr. Jones, a little grayer and, perhaps, more stooped than when he conducted a noted series of revivals in this city several years ago, spoke of the rottenness of municipal governments in general, saying that St. Louis was, perhaps, no worse than any other large city, though this fact itself did not excite the harboring of corrupt or incompetent officials.

"I have been trying for twenty-five years," said he, "to get some one to tell me how many sound potatoes to put around a decayed one to keep it from spoiling. I haven't succeeded. A few rotten potatoes will soon ruin a barrelful. The only thing to do is to throw the bad ones out. You seem to have a pretty good Mayor in this town, and doubtless there are good men in the Municipal Assembly. But get rid of the rotten potatoes."

As to the method of getting rid of unworthy officials, Mr. Jones emphasized the point that publicity is most effective. He expressed confidence in the sanity and morality of the body politic, but remarked that "the people are long suffering and need to be prodded, the same as a fellow pokes a mule behind the ears."

Continuing, he said that the officials themselves are of the genus mule, "and they are as sensitive to the touch of exposure, when they know that the public is 'on 'em,' as any old plow mule with a sore back is sensitive to the currycomb."

These fellows," the evangelist observed in the dry drawl peculiar to him, "may not be mules, but dogs. You see, many men are born half men and half dog. They starve man that's in 'em, and by their greed the dog becomes full grown. If they had a little more man and a little less dog they could run rabbits."

"St. Louis is too good a town to let a lot of human hyenas, a parcel of Delegates, as you call them, cast discredit on the community. Keep up the agitation. You can do more with some men by shaking them over a coffin than you can by reading them moral essays. Let the people prepare their political coffins."

Mr. Jones is delivering a series of lectures at various Chautauques. He spent a few hours at the Southern Hotel yesterday morning, and departed in the afternoon for Kansas and Iowa.

### DELEGATES MISS NEW PENS.

Members Not in Combine Failed to Receive Allotment.

Four minority members of the House of Delegates have not received the fountain pens purchased for them by the Supply Department. The question in the City Hall is, "What became of the pens, and who took them?"

About a month ago twenty-eight fountain pens, worth \$2.50 apiece, were bought by the Supply Department for the House. Every year twenty-eight pens are bought, so that each member will get one.

Twenty-four Delegates got their pens this year, but four minority members did not. For a week they have been trying to find out how the pens disappeared, but the clerk's desk has been unable to find out how the pens disappeared. It is some combination members are obliged to do considerable writing, and "borrowed" the four that are missing.

## RACE AGAINST DEATH ON SUBURBAN CAR

Record-Breaking Ride to Hurry to City Hospital Woman Who Was Fatally Injured.

EFFORT PROVED UNAVAILING.

Unidentified Victim of Street Car Accident Near World's Fair Grounds Died as Car Reached Jefferson Avenue.

The speed of a special street car proved too slow in a race against death last night. An unidentified woman, badly mangled by a Suburban car near the World's Fair grounds, lay on cushions breathing her last as the powerful motors groaned in their effort to get her to the City Hospital, where skilled physicians might have prolonged life even if they could not save it.

From the Suburban's car she was in the hands of the car started, "Stop for nothing," shouted the shed foreman to the motorman as the car started toward the city. With a clear track, all other cars being ordered to speed ahead and keep out of the way as much as possible, the motorman did as bidden.

To Morgan street, where the car left the Suburban's right-of-way, it made alarming speed. Around the curves at Raymond and Fairmount avenues it sped in its effort to do a dying woman. From side to side it rocked, until Policeman Kamer of the Mounted District, who accompanied the woman, feared it would leave the track at the next revolution of the wheels.

From Vandeventer avenue to Nineteenth street, where an ambulance that had been summoned from the dispensary met the car, its trip was not so fast. Other cars were ahead of it. They had to stop to take on and let off passengers. The speed of the motorman slackened, the pace set by the Grim Reaper increased and won the race, for the woman died as Jefferson avenue was crossed.

At Nineteenth street the crushed body was transferred to the ambulance. "She's dead," whispered the big policeman to the ambulance driver, "go to the morgue."

At the morgue Night Keeper Walter Graham said he believed the woman was about 30 years old. She had jet black hair, gray eyes and sandy complexion. Her hands indicated that she had worked hard for her living. Father time had robbed her of all her teeth. A dentist had supplied a set for the lower jaw.

She wore a dress of blue calico, with a white figure. Her hose were black, her shoes of the old gaiter style, with elastic sides. When the car struck her she carried a chip basket and a bucket. In the basket was a purse, but it contained nothing that would help in her identification.

Car No. 22 of the Suburban's Clayton division struck the woman. It was in charge of motorman Mathew Powers of No. 622 Bartmore avenue and Conductor Alfonso Sharkey of No. 630 Maple avenue. Motorman Powers said his car was running rapidly and he was unable to stop it in time to avoid the accident when she stepped on the track fifty feet in front of the car.

They placed the unconscious woman on the car and took her to the company's sheds. Doctors McNeur and Thompson were summoned to the sheds, but seeing the condition of the patient, advised that the woman be taken to the City Hospital.

### LIGHTNING STRUCK CHURCH.

Storm Caused Considerable Damage at Mount City, Ill.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Mount City, Ill., Aug. 14.—A storm to-day caused considerable damage here. The cupola of the Free Will Baptist Church was struck by lightning and the church considerably damaged.

A portion of the roof of the Meyers furniture factory was blown off and considerable other damage was done throughout the city.

### LEADING TOPICS

TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 5:12 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 6:37. THE MOON SETS TO-MORROW MORNING AT 2:48.

WEATHER INDICATIONS. For St. Louis and Vicinity—Partly cloudy and threatening. For Missouri—Fair Friday. Showers Saturday.

For Illinois—Fair in south, showers in north Friday. Showers Saturday. Page.

1. Coal Steadily Advancing.
2. Caustic Arraignment of House Combine.
3. Senators Wage Campaign for the Honor of Missouri.
4. Arkansas Rich in Her Great Forests.
5. Renew Pledges of Fifty Years Ago.
6. Independent Ticket May Be Nominated.
7. Sheriff Suspends Deputy Thompson.
8. Francis Will Visit President Roosevelt.
9. Rade Farewell on Leaving Alton.
10. Child Attacked by a Vicious Dog.
11. Railway News.
12. Rich Cuban Kills an Angry Husband.
13. East Side News.
14. Republic Form Chart.
15. Cardinals Lose to Philadelphia.
16. Editorial.
17. Social Happenings.
18. City Will Compel Low Lightage Bill.
19. Spectator at Confederate Reunion.
20. Illinois Crops Break All Records.
21. Republic "Want" Advertisements.
22. Birth, Marriage and Death Records.
23. Rooms for Rent and Real Estate Ads.
24. Stock Dealings in New York.
25. Securities Firmly Held by Local Investors.
26. Russian 4 Per Cent Rentes Listed in New York.
27. Manipulation Renewed in Chicago Grain.
28. Bears Assume Control of Wheat and Corn.
29. Summary of St. Louis Market.
30. River News and Personals.
31. National School for German Youth.
32. Woman's Missionary Board.
33. Shortland Reporters Meet.

## MR. AND MRS. CHAS. L. FAIR KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE.

Wealthy San Francisco Couple, Driving Along a French Road at Sixty-Two Miles an Hour, Dash Against an Elm Tree and Death Comes Quickly—Chauffeur Who Accompanies Them Appears Crazy by the Shock—Mutilated Bodies Placed in Care of Chateau Owner.

FORTY-FIVE HORSE-POWER MACHINE RECENTLY PURCHASED.



Who were killed in an automobile accident while on the way from Trouville to Paris, France, yesterday. The dead man is a son of the late Senator James G. Fair and a brother-in-law of Hermann Oelrichs and W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr.

SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. Evreux, France, Aug. 14.—(Copyright, 1902)—Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Fair of San Francisco were killed in an automobile accident near this place to-day as they were on the way from Trouville to Paris.

While they were going at a rate of sixty-two miles an hour one of the pneumatic tires burst, the machine swerved and dashed against a large elm tree.

The automobile was completely demolished. The couple, who escaped alive, were thrown from the car. The chauffeur, who was not seriously injured, was taken to the local hospital.

Mr. Fair is a brother-in-law of W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., who sailed for New York on board the Kron Prinz Wilhelm.

The accident occurred at 2:20 o'clock this afternoon and almost in front of the Chateau Buisson du Mail, at the village of Saint Aguilin.

The Fairs intended to dine and spend the night in Paris and return to Trouville for lunch to-morrow.

GATEKEEPER'S WIFE THE ONLY WITNESS.

The wife of the gatekeeper of the Chateau was the only witness of the disaster. She says she noticed a big red automobile coming along the road at a tremendous pace.

Suddenly something happened, and the heavy machine slid sideways from the right to the left side of the road, for about sixty yards.

It then dashed up an embankment, turned a complete somersault and crashed into a large elm tree in front of the gate of the chateau.

The automobile was completely wrecked, the front axle was broken and other parts of the machine were smashed, including the steering gear.

When the automobile turned over the wife of the gatekeeper says she saw Mr. and Mrs. Fair thrown high in the air and fall with a heavy thud to the ground.

The chauffeur, who was sitting behind the Fairs, was precipitated into a ditch. He staggered to his feet, calling for help.

FAIRS ARE FOUND IN THROES OF DEATH.

The gatekeeper's wife rushed to his assistance and aided him in extracting Mr. and Mrs. Fair, who were buried beneath the wrecked machine, and in the last throes of death.

Both had sustained ghastly injuries and were almost unrecognizable. Mr. Fair's head and back were crushed in, while his wife's skull was split.

The chauffeur was terribly affected at the calamity and seemed bereft of his senses. He threw himself into a ditch on the opposite side of the road and rolled about crying, "My poor masters."

Mr. Forsen, owner of the Chateau Buisson du Mail, was summoned, and after informing the local authorities of the accident he ordered the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Fair to be carried to the gatekeeper's lodge.

They now lie on mattresses and flowers have been strewn over them.

In the room are three wax tapers burning dimly.

ACCIDENT DUE TO BURSTING OF TIRE.

The accident was evidently due to the bursting of a tire. At the time it occurred the automobile, which was capable of running seventy-four miles an hour, was going at the rate of sixty-two miles an hour.

The local police authorities hold in their possession and have sealed up a valise belonging to the Fairs which contains jewelry, two letters of credit, a French bank note worth \$50 and some gold coins.

The Fairs have been living lately in Paris at the Hotel Ritz, and kept their apartments there while they were staying at Trouville. This morning Mr. Fair sent a dispatch from Trouville to the management of the Hotel Ritz, saying he and his wife would arrive there this evening.

## PUERTO CABELLO MAY BE IN HANDS OF REVOLUTIONISTS

Cable Cipher From Commander Nickles to Navy Department Indicates Victory for Rebels.

STATE BORDERING ON ANARCHY

At Barcelona Victorious Foes of Castro Government Compel Foreigners to Pay for Safety.

NO WORD OF ANOTHER BATTLE.

Neither Minister Bowen Nor Commander McLean Makes Any Reference to the Expected Decisive Conflict.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Aug. 14.—Puerto Cabello, the most important city in Venezuela, next to Caracas, has fallen into the hands of the revolutionists, according to a rather mystifying cable cipher received at the Navy Department late this afternoon from Commander Nickles of the Topeka, recently ordered there.

He states that there is no immediate danger of attack on the town by Government troops, insinuating that it is already held by the revolutionists. This surmise held by the authorities here, inasmuch as at last report the city was surrounded by revolutionists. No advice has been received here regarding any attack on the city by the revolutionary forces.

The passage of a day has not improved conditions in any part of Venezuela, and rather plentiful advice have been received which show that a state bordering on anarchy reigns in Barcelona, where the inhabitants are intensely alarmed and where they are held up and made to ransom their safety.

The extent of the damage done is most accurately set forth in this dispatch from Commander McLean of the Cincinnati, which arrived at Barcelona yesterday: "Barcelona sacked by revolutionists. They have imprisoned all civil and military officials. Are in possession of entire district. Some pillaging done, but everything now quiet. Twenty-nine business houses sacked, mostly foreign, also foreign dwellings."

Minister Bowen at Caracas has cabled the State Department that he is advised by the United States consular representative at Barcelona that the revolutionists are sacking the town. They are demanding money from the foreign residents, he said, in exchange for a guarantee of safety of their lives and property. Mr. Bowen reports the general situation as serious.

He makes no comment on the reported imminent battle between Castro and the revolutionists, and on General Matos, who will become President in the event of the overthrow of the Castro Government, and who has been marching toward Caracas ever since he captured Ouidad Bolivar on the Orinoco nearly two months ago.

## MERRYMAKERS FIGHT A MIDNIGHT FIRE.

Maplewood Pastor's Home in Flames When Passengers on Car Awoke Sleeping Family.

A party of merry-makers returning from Meramec Highlands early this morning were suddenly called upon to constitute themselves a bucket brigade and rescue the lives of the Reverend W. L. Nash, pastor of the Maplewood Baptist Church, and his family. Fire started in the rear of the building is now a total wreck and the loss about \$3,000.

A Suburban car, crowded with laughing, shouting young folks ran into Maplewood from Meramec Highlands about 1 a. m. The car stopped at the rear of the pastor's home. The cry of fire was raised and the passengers flocked from the car, and forming a bucket brigade rushed to the residence of the Reverend W. L. Nash.

Flames were shooting from the rear windows of the house and the members of the family were unconscious of their peril. With difficulty the flames were roused and by that time means of egress from the second floor was cut off.

Mr. Nash and the members of his family ran to a window overlooking the front porch and climbed out on the roof. Tearing an awning off, with the strips they formed a rope and by means of this lowered themselves to the ground, where they were seized by their friends and, half-suffocated by the smoke, taken to a neighboring house.

The residences of George Young and Benjamin Foster, on either side of Mr. Nash's, by the aid of the bucket brigade, were saved, but Mr. Nash's home is a ruin.

## RAILROAD COMPANY IS SUED. New Litigation Grows Out of a Fight on Street Car.

The St. Louis, St. Charles and Western Railroad Company was made defendant yesterday in the damages suit filed by Robert B. McConnell, George C. and George H. Fox. Each asks for \$2,500 actual and \$2,500 punitive damages. They allege that they were unlawfully assaulted by the conductor of one of the company's cars.

McConnell lives in Maplewood. George H. Fox is the father of George C. Fox. They live on South Grand avenue. In company with thirteen other persons, whose names are unknown, they visited a friend, who lives on the line of the defendant railroad company. On their return to St. Louis they became involved in an altercation with the conductor, which led to a general fight. The conductor, as well as the plaintiffs, was considerably bruised.

The next day Conductor Brewster swore out warrants before Justice Campbell against the passengers. At the same time J. D. Houseman, manager of the railroad company, filed suits for damages against the three plaintiffs in yesterday's suits. Then the retaliated by going before Justice Hausman in the morning and asking for a warrant against Brewster, charging assault with intent to kill. The assault was tried in Clayton September 6 before Justice Greenleaf.